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APPLICATION ELEMENTS	ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. a. <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Statement(s)</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages <u>14</u>] (preferred arrangement set forth below)            - Descriptive title of the Invention            - Cross References to Related Applications            - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R &amp; D            - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix            - Background of the Invention            - Brief Summary of the Invention            - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)            - Detailed Description            - Claim(s)            - Abstract of the Disclosure</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets <u>6</u>]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oath or Declaration [Total Pages <u>4</u>]            a. <input type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unexecuted            b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))            (for continuation/divisional with Box 20 completed)  <u>[Note Box 6 below]</u>            i. <input type="checkbox"/> DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)            Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 5b is checked)            The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)</p>	<p>9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)            a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF)            b. Specification Sequence Listing on:            i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or            ii. <input type="checkbox"/> paper            c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statements verifying identity of above copies</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet &amp; document(s))</p> <p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable)</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 <input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Citations</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment</p> <p>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)</p> <p>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Figure of Drawing to be published <u>1</u></p> <p>17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foreign priority claimed            a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claim of Priority            b. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)</p> <p>18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignee: SALOMON S.A of Metz-Tessy, FRANCE</p> <p>19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Cover Letter under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and (f)            _____            _____            _____            _____</p>
<p>20. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:  <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Divisional <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No. <u>/</u>, filed <u>      </u>.  <i>Prior application information: Examiner: _____ Group Art Unit: _____</i></p> <p>21. <input type="checkbox"/> Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:            This application is a <u>      </u> continuation-in-part, <u>      </u> continuation, <u>      </u> divisional, of Application No. <u>      </u>, filed <u>      </u>.</p>	

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL****Complete if Known**

Application Number Not Yet Assigned

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Group Art Unit Unassigned

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**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check one)**FEE CALCULATION** (continued)

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- Charge the Issue Fee Set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the Mailing of the Notice of Allowance, 37 CFR 1.311(b)

- Applicant Claims Small Entity Status  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

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**FEE CALCULATION** (fees effective 10/01/01)**1. FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	Utility filing fee	740
106	330	206	Design filing fee	—
107	510	207	Plant filing fee	—
108	740	208	Reissue filing fee	—
114	160	214	Provisional filing fee	—

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)** 740**2. CLAIMS**

Total Claims	-20=	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
10	-20=	0	x 18	0
Independent 1	-3=	0	x 84	0
Claims				
Multiple Dependent Claims		x 280	=	0

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103	18	203	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	Multiple dependent claim
109	84	209	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)** 0**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	—
127	50	227	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	—
139	130	139	Non-English specification	—
147	2,520	147	For filing a request for reexamination	—
112	920*	112	Requesting publication of SIR	—
113	1,840*	113	Prior to Examiner action	—
			Requesting publication of SIR after	—
			Examiner action	—
			Extension for response within 1st month	—
			Extension for response within 2nd month	—
117	920	217	Extension for response within 3rd month	—
118	1,440	218	Extension for response within 4th month	—
128	1,960	228	Extension for response within 5th month	—
119	320	219	Notice of Appeal	—
120	320	220	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	—
121	280	221	Request for oral hearing	—
138	1,510	138	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	—
140	110	240	Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application	—
141	1,280	241	Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned application	—
142	1,280	242	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	—
143	460	243	Design issue fee	—
144	620	244	Plant issue fee	—
122	130	122	Petitions to the Commissioner	—
123	50	123	Petitions related to provisional applications	—
126	180	126	Submission of IDS	—
581	40	581	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	—
146	740	246	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	—
149	740	249	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	—
179	740	279	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	—
169	900	169	Request for expedited examination of a design application	—
			Other fee (specify)	—
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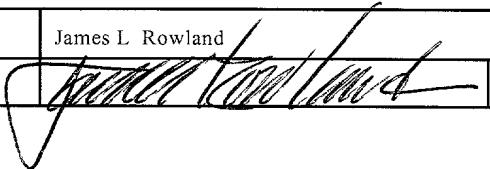
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No :Not Yet Assigned

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For : FRONT RETAINING ELEMENT FOR AN ALPINE SKI BOOT

**COVER LETTER ACCOMPANYING U.S. PATENT APPLICATION  
FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) and 1.53(f)**

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Sir:

Enclosed is a new patent application for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) and 1.53(f) in which the Declaration and Power of Attorney attached thereto are in unexecuted form. A properly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney will be filed within the time period set forth in the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, unless such time period has been extended by the filing of a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

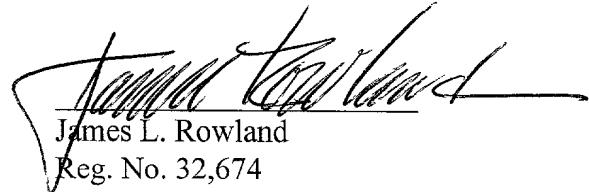
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the unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney, and is as follows:

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The above-identified application includes:

- 14 pages of specification with abstract.
- 6 sheets of drawings with 11 figures.
- 10 total claims and 1 independent.
- an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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